

# For Such a Time as This: God's Protection in a Time of Crisis

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**God has provided EIGHT WAYS to keep us loving and sane in times of pressure and crisis.**

## **Ephesians 6:10-13**

*10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might. 11 Put on the full armor of God, so that you will be able to stand firm against the schemes of the devil. 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. 13 Therefore, take up the full armor of God, so that you will be able to resist in the evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.*

## **What are the ways God will protect us?**

**1.** God will provide **truth**. Don't listen to lies, **rumors** and conspiracy theories.

**Matt 16:15-18; John 8:31,32; Matt 4:4ff**

**2.** God will provide **righteous** things to do.

**Matt 16:23; 1 Pet 2:11,12; Acts 13:8-11; Job 1; Luke 6:27-37**

**3.** God will show you how to ***make peace*** with someone.  
1 Cor 15:1-3; Matt 18:21-35; Rom 12:9-21

- They stopped making war.
- They promoted peace.

**4.** God will ask you to ***take risks***.

Gen 12:1-5; 1 Sam 16; Phil 3:8; 2 Tim 1;12; Heb 12:1-3;

**5.** God will provide ***ways of escape***.

1 Cor 10:13; 1 Sam 19; 21, 23

**6.** God will bring ***Scripture*** to mind.

Matt 4:4; 16:15; 10:25-27; Col 3:16; Psa 119:10,11

**7.** God will direct you to ***ask*** for what you need to win in the difficulty. Matt 17:18-21; John 17; Jude 9

**8.** God will want you to be ***alert*** where you have been ***weak before***. 1 Pet 5:8; John 6:70; 1 Thess 5:1-5; Rom 13:10-14; 2 Pet 2:20-22

## **Action Steps:**

*Truth*

*Righteousness*

*Peace*

*Faith*

*SALVATION*

*Word of God*

*Prayer*

*Alertness*